

REMARKS

The indication that claims 3 and 4 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, is acknowledged. By the present amendment, claims 3 and 4 have been written in independent form incorporating the features of parent claims 1 and 2 therein, which features of parent claims 1 and 2 have been amended to overcome the objection to claim 1, as noted by the Examiner, and to more clearly set forth the claimed features, it being noted that the recitation of claim 2 of "the rotary member further comprises" has not been included since the recited features are set forth. Thus, applicants submit that claims 3 and 4, as rewritten in independent form, should now be in condition for allowance.

As to the objection to the abstract of the disclosure, the abstract has been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner, and the status of the parent application has been updated as indicated by the Examiner. Furthermore, as noted above, the informality in claim 1 has been corrected in the rewriting of claims 3 and 4 in independent form.

As to the rejection of claim 1 over the cited art, it is noted that this rejection has been obviated by the cancellation of claim 1 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof, such that a discussion of the cited art in relation to claim 1 is considered unnecessary. Although there is no statement of a ground of rejection with respect to claim 2, it appears that the Examiner intended to also reject claim 2 over the cited art, and as noted above, claim 2 has also been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof and a discussion of the cited art in relation thereto is also considered unnecessary.

Since only claims 3 and 4, which have been objected to and indicated as allowable when written in independent form, remain in this application, and such claims have been written in independent form, applicants submit that claims 3 and 4

should now be in condition for allowance, and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.40652CX1) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,



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